IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADE

In re Application of MERRIL et al Serial No. 08/879,139 Examiner: D. Wortm

Filed: June 19, 1997 Group Art Unit: 1648

For: ANTIBACTERIAL THERAPY WITH BACTERIOPHAGE GENOTYPICALLY MODIFIED TO DELAY INACTIVATION BY THE HOST DEFENSE SYSTEM

## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of § 1.136(a), applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2002 for three (3) months from March 18, 2003 to June 18, 2003. The fee of \$930 is included in the attached check.

Respectfully submitted,

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